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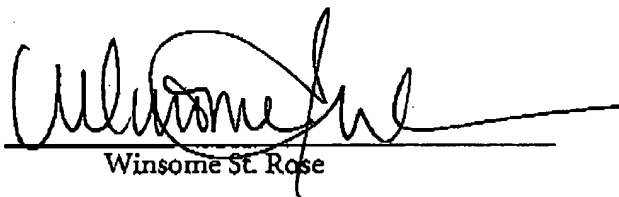
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed September 7, 2006, Applicants request consideration and entry of the following amendments and remarks. A request for an extension of time of one month for responding to the Office Action is made herewith.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 10 of this paper.